

readily stopped, but Dexter cried to go home, and would not leave Mrs. I. for the rest of the morning.

4.5.26. Dexter had brought several bundles of bus tickets to school with him, and Dan wanted to have some of them. Dexter would not even let him hold them for a time, as he asked, and Dan snatched at them. Christopher and Priscilla joined in this, and ran off with the lot. Dexter came to Mrs. I. for help, and she suggested that he should run after them. He did so, but half-heartedly, and could not catch them; he kept returning to Mrs. I. to complain. Later on when he was doing other things, the children kept coming to him and offering the tickets, but snatching them away again as he reached out for them. He often got hold of the tickets, but did not hold on with any grip, and gave up readily when they pulled at them. On the whole he remained fairly cheerful through all this, and tried to laugh with the others, but tears were never very far away. Later on Mrs. I. asked the others to return the tickets, and they did so. Dexter wanted to join in with their pursuits, but they would not have him.

18.5.26. Dan, Priscilla and Christopher were again unfriendly to Dexter, and there was a good deal of mutual hostility, calling each other a "beast", etc. When Dexter called Priscilla a "beast", she said, "But I'm not, I know I'm *not* and *you* are!" At cocoa time, Christopher, Priscilla and Dan sat down on a rug, saving a place for Miss B., and saying that they would not let anyone else sit there. Phineas said to Mrs. I. that he wanted to sit on the rug, and walked towards it, but made no actual attempt to sit down. He evidently felt the exclusiveness of the group, and said repeatedly, "I'm going to sit on the rug, aren't I, Mrs. I.?" but did not make any attempt.

28.5.26. Dexter had brought a toy to school to show the other children, and let each of them have it in turn, except Jessica. He said he wouldn't let her have it "because I don't

like her ". A few days later, Jessica had a toy
which she was
lending out, and she refused to lend it to Dexter
" because I
don't Sice him ". He was very hurt at this,
evidently quite
forgetting his own refusal to her.

When the children were modelling, Dexter
made great effort
to construct a railway line. His work is much
more clumsy
than that of the others, and they were quick to
point this out,
with scornful comments. "Isn't it a silly train
—isn't he
stupid ? " He crumpled it all up and started
again.

20.7.26. Priscilla played a family game with
four of the
younger children, and this led to rivalry
between this group,
and Dan and Christopher, who were modelling
and showed